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APPLICANT(S):	MCCREADY ET AL
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action dated July 13, 2007 received in the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the accompanying remarks. Included with this Response is a Request for Extension of Time for 2 month(s) and the appropriate fee. This Response therefore is timely filed.

Applicant respectfully requests an Examiner interview before the issuance of the next Office Action. Applicant's representative Susan Hubl can be reached at (415) 875-2316.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2. **Remarks** begin on page 4.